



Pilot Hill Project Survey

SURVEY RESULTS AS OF DECEMBER 4, 2018

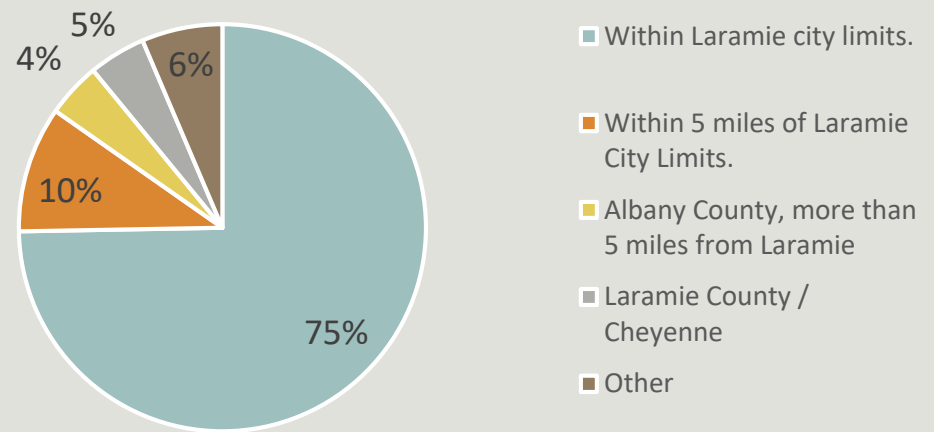
Pilot Hill Project Survey

Survey was conducted online

Not a random survey, therefore cannot generalize to a particular population such as Albany County residents

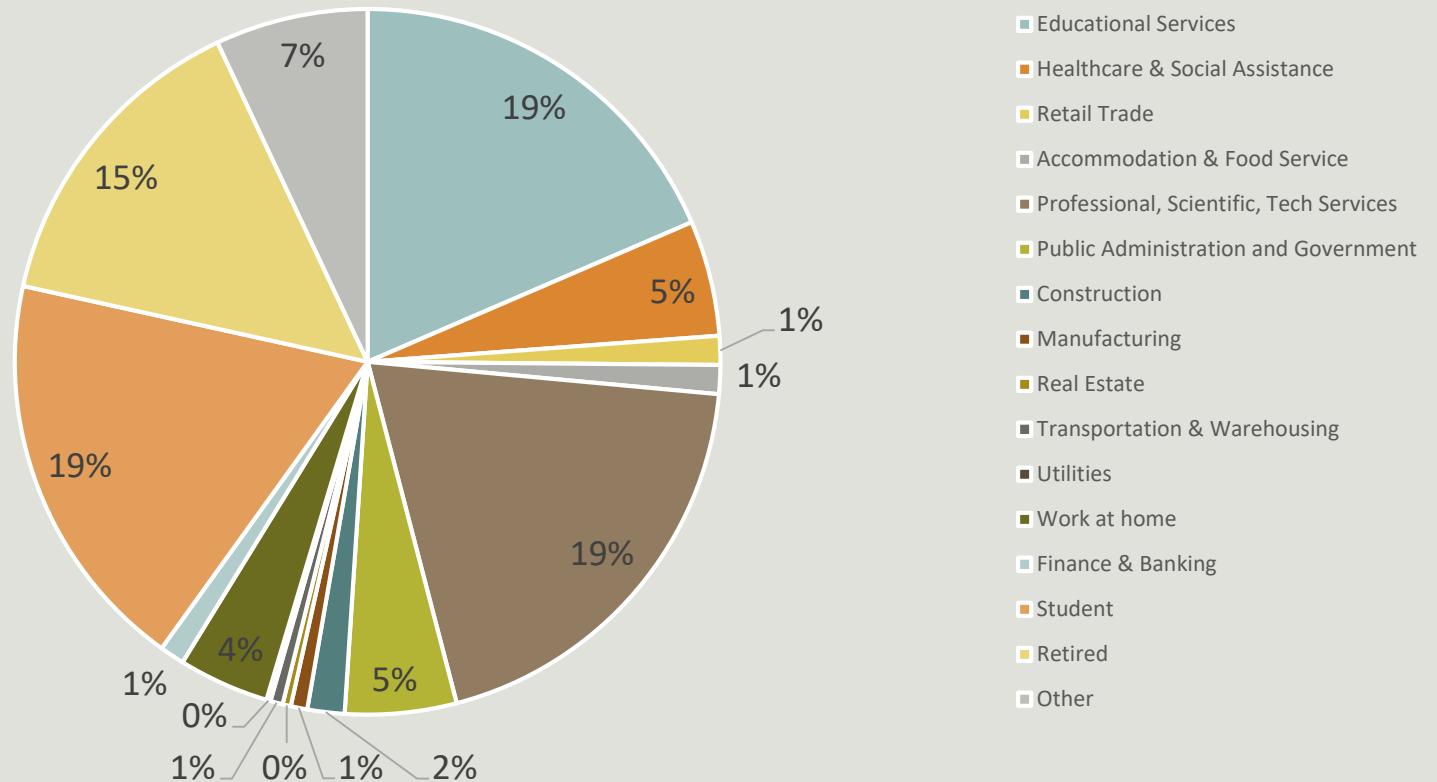
532 people responded to the survey, mostly residing in Laramie

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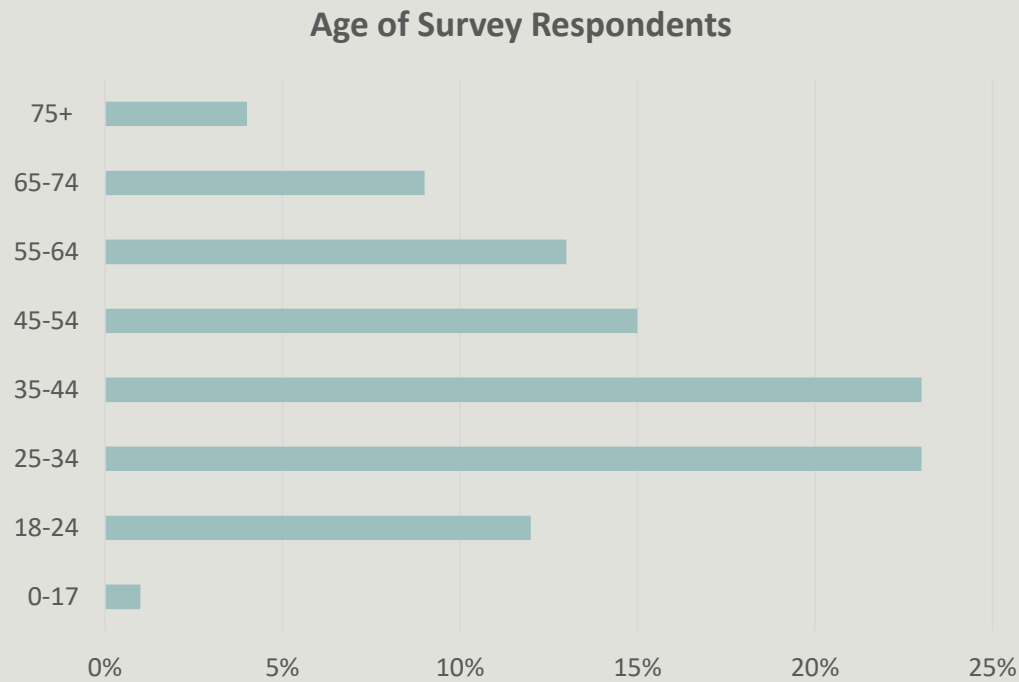
Demographic Information

Employment of survey respondents is generally representative of Albany County employment statistics



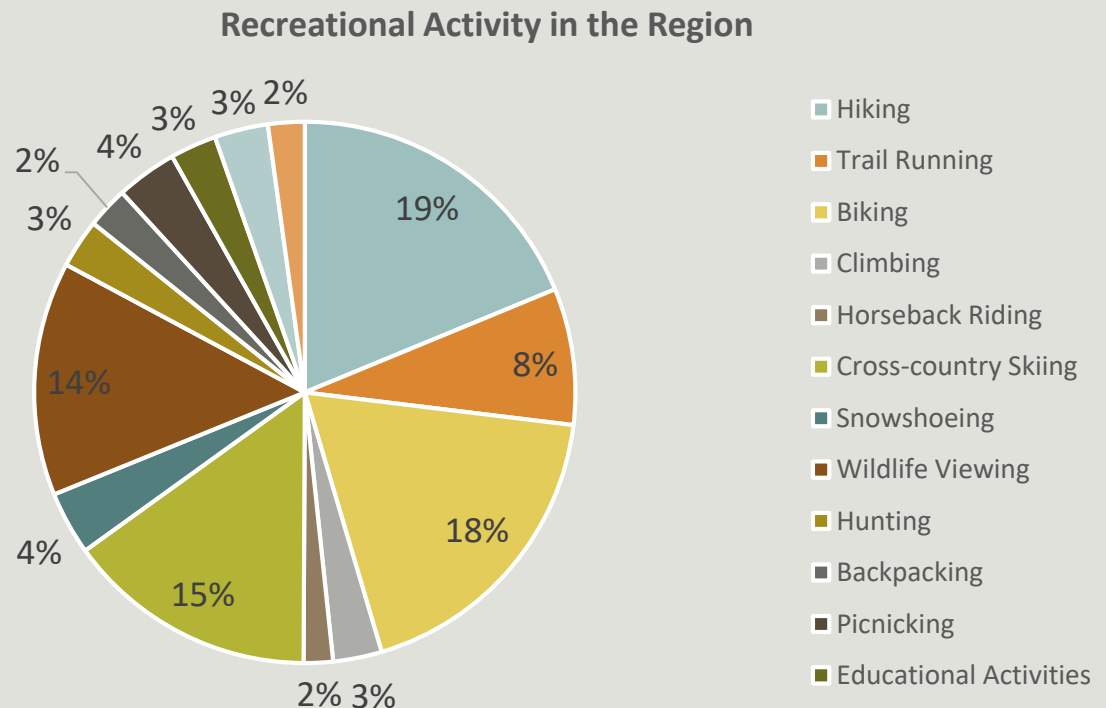
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Survey respondents are over-represented among the 25-44 year age group than is the Albany County population



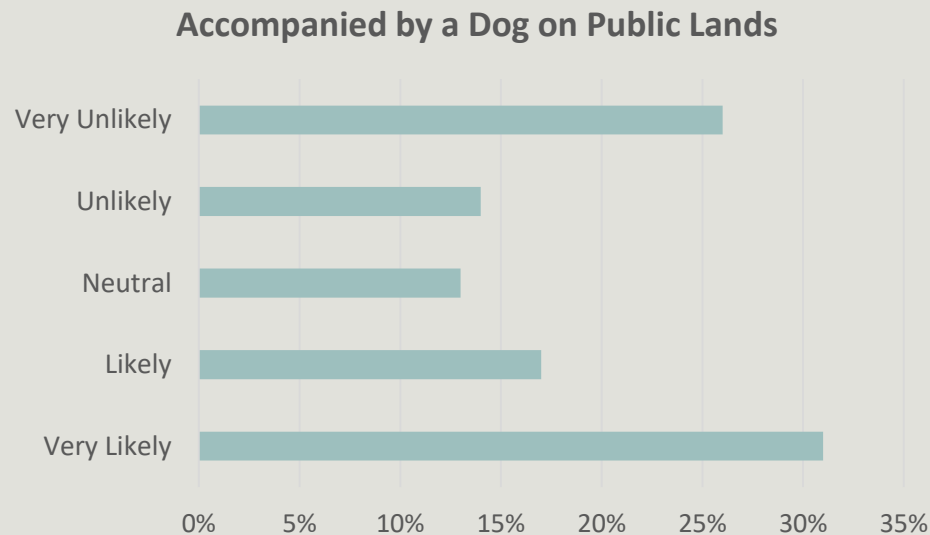
Survey respondents are active recreators

Many respondents engage in activities at least weekly. The most common recreational activities reported at Happy Jack, Vedauwoo, Curt Gowdy S.P. and neighboring areas are hiking, trail running, biking, and cross country skiing.



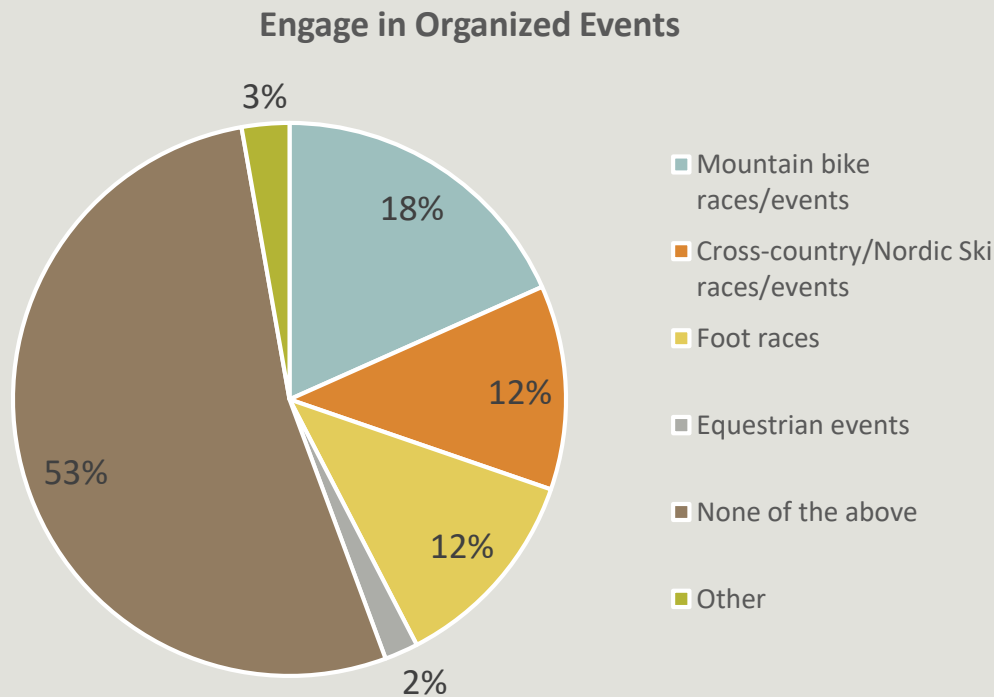
People like to recreate with their dogs

Slightly more respondents reported that they are very likely or likely to be accompanied by one or more dogs while recreating on public land.



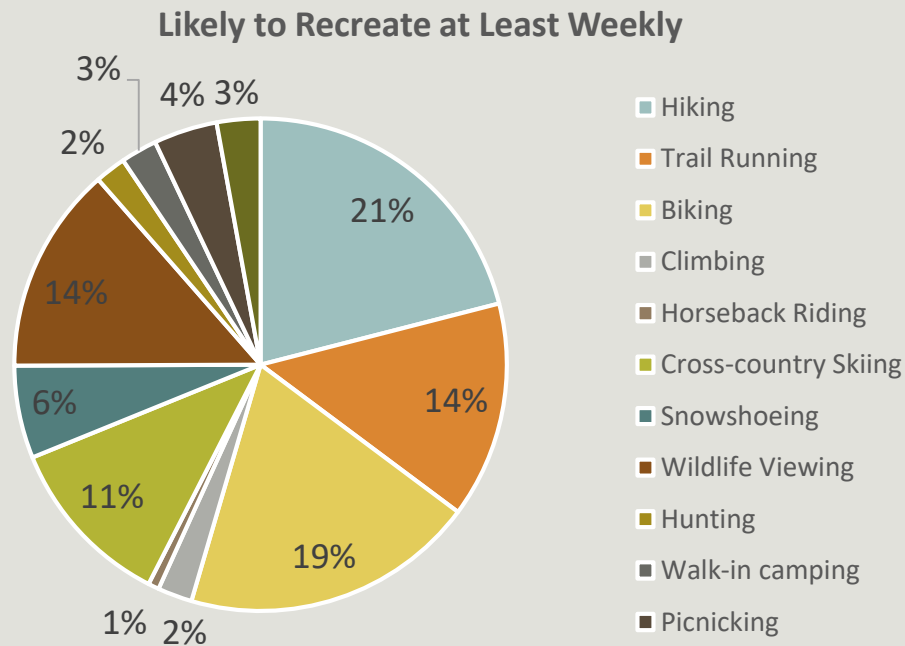
Many participate in organized outdoor events

Nearly half of respondents participate in organized outdoor events at Happy Jack, Vedauwoo, Curt Gowdy State Park or neighboring areas



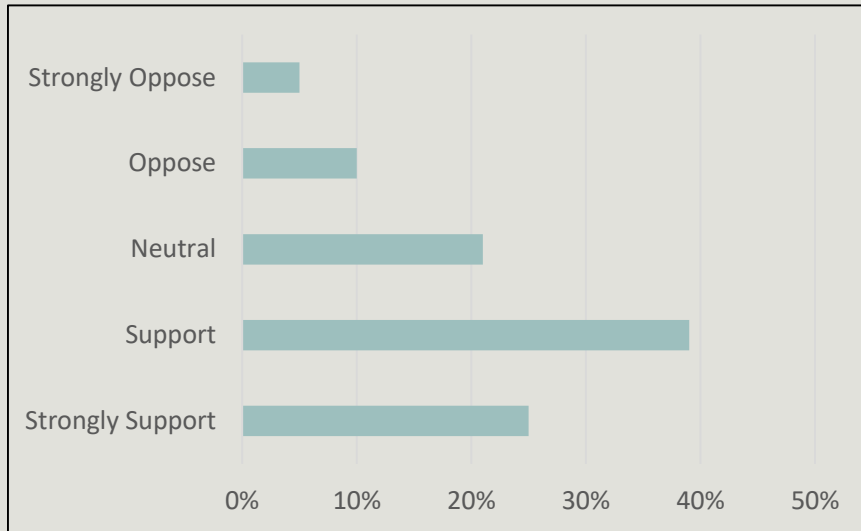
People anticipate recreating on Pilot Hill frequently

When asked about which recreational activities they would participate on Pilot Hill and how often, respondents reported they would mostly likely participate in hiking, trail running, biking, and cross country skiing on a weekly basis.

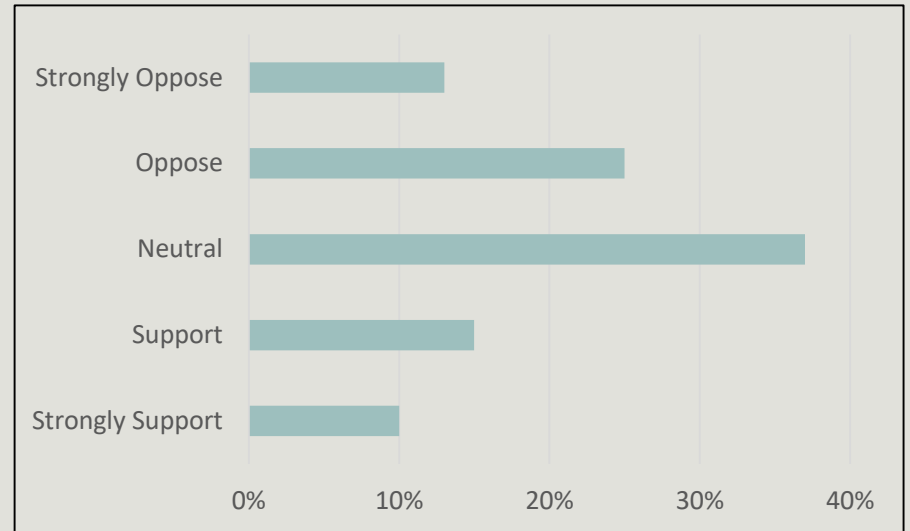


Respondents approve seasonal closures but not night-time closures

How would you feel about closing access to the Pilot Hill property during certain seasons to protect wildlife?

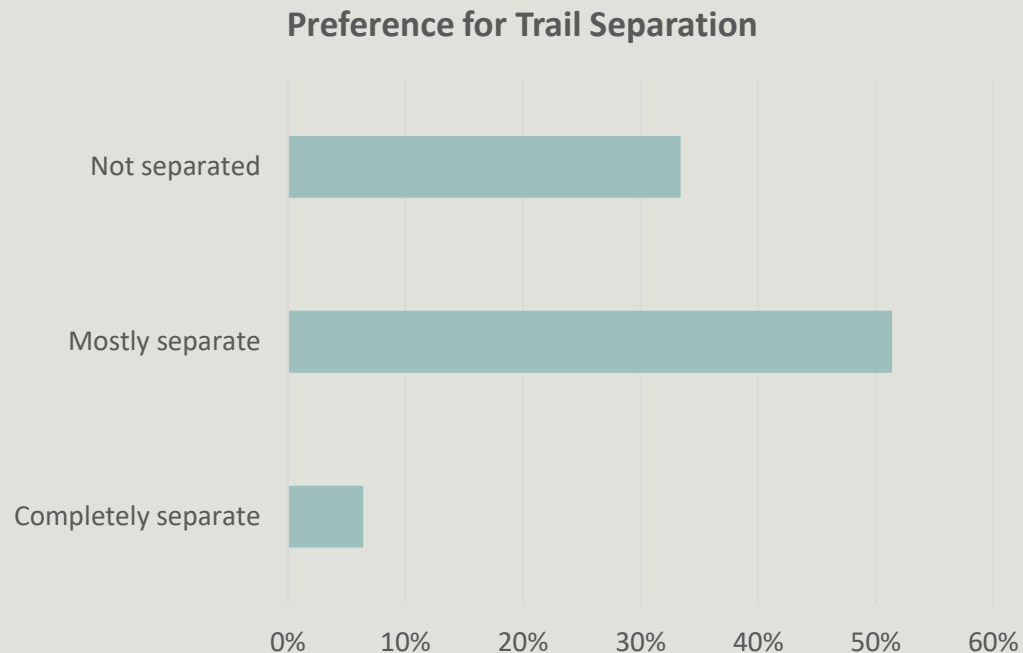


How would you feel about closing access to the Pilot Hill property after dark?



People prefer separating trail use

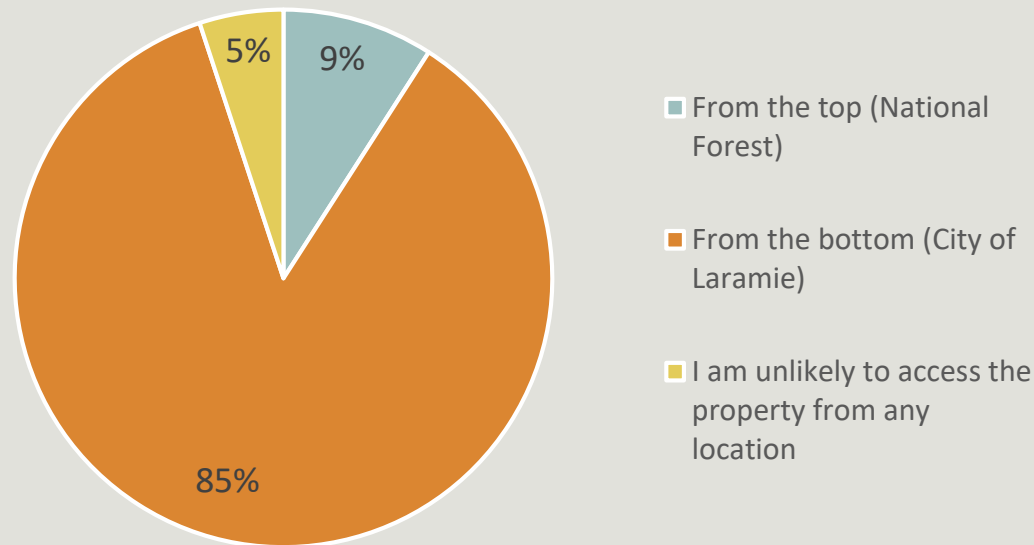
Most respondents prefer separate trails for hikers, bikers and horseback riders



Most users will access Pilot Hill from Laramie

Most respondents who anticipate using Pilot Hill will access the property from Laramie

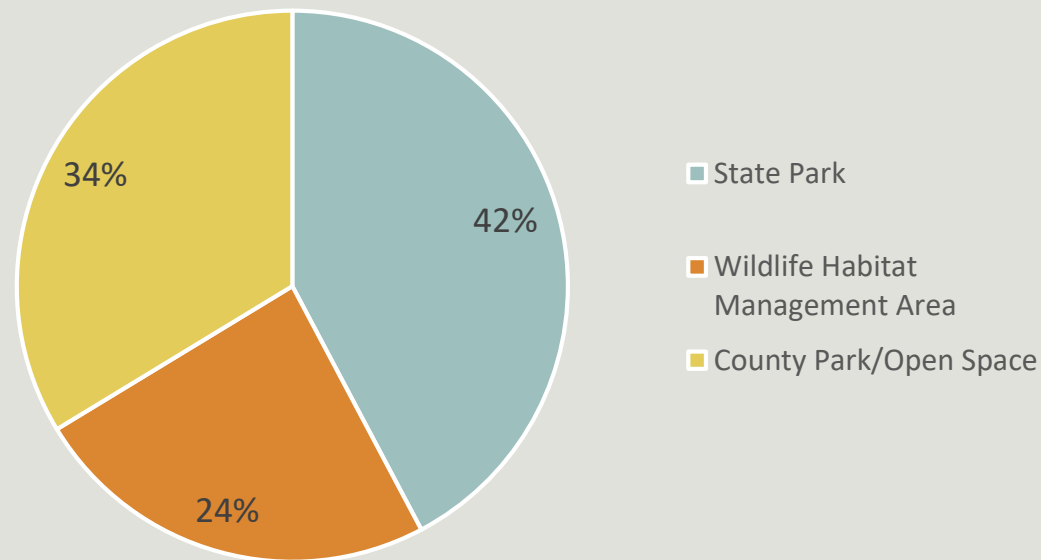
Most Likely Access Direction



Most want to see Pilot Hill managed as a State Park or County Open Space

Respondents were asked to rank their preference for three management models: State Park, Wildlife Habitat Management Area, or County Park or Open Space

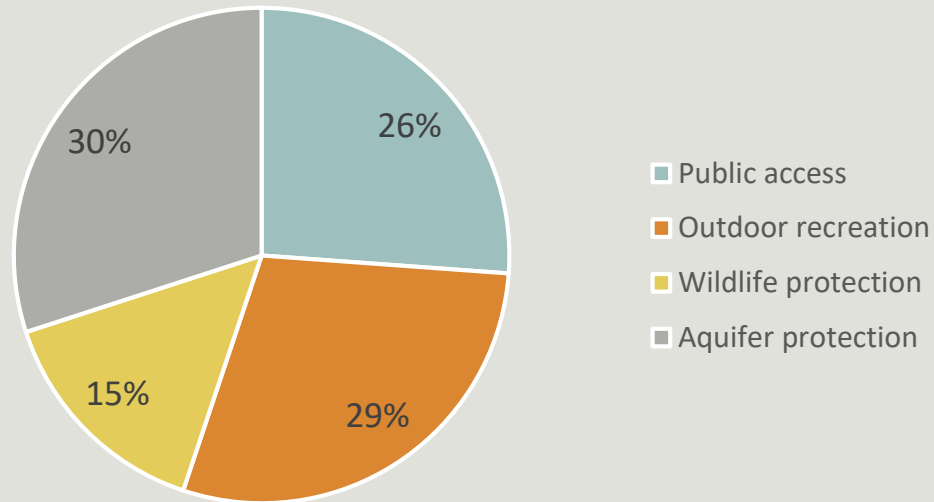
Preference for Management Model



Most want Pilot Hill to be managed for access, recreation and aquifer protection

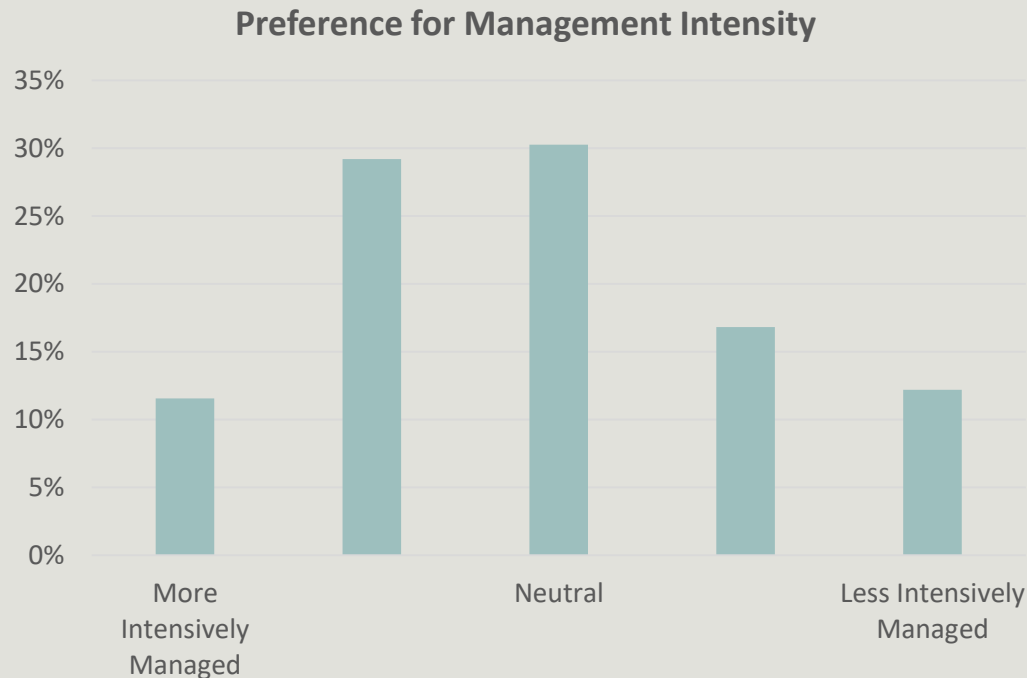
Respondents were asked to rank their preference for four management objectives. Managing for public access, outdoor recreation, and aquifer protection were nearly evenly ranked as top priority.

Most Preferred Management Objectives



People want maintained trails, signage and access points

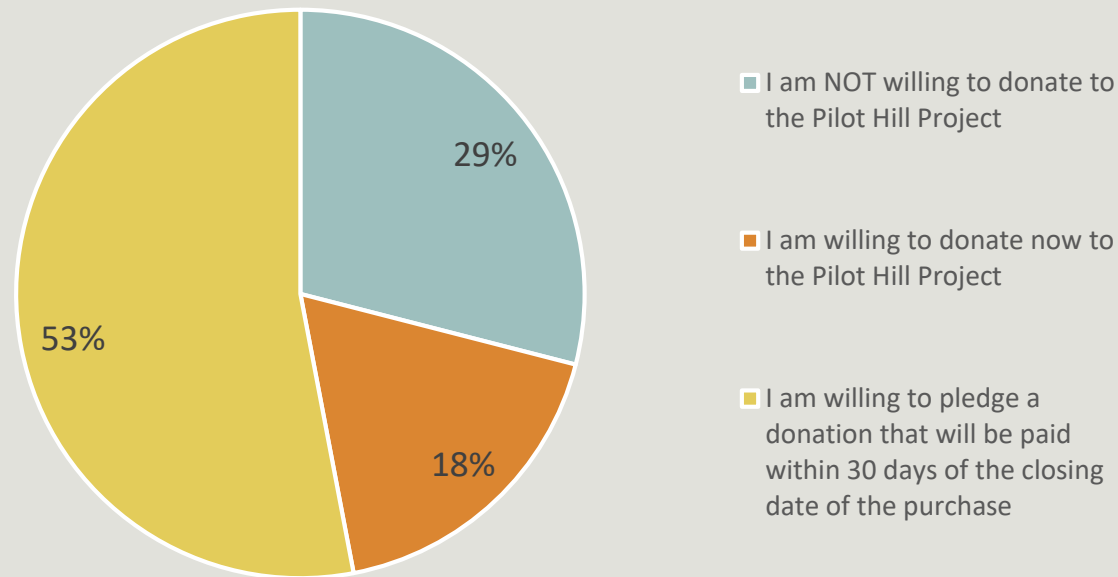
There is a slight preference for more intensive management recreation areas. Respondents prefer well-maintained trails, signage and access points over user-maintained trails and less signage.



People are willing to donate or pledge towards the purchase of Pilot Hill

Respondents reported that they would rather pledge funds than donate outright towards the purchase of Pilot Hill.

Willingness to Donate or Pledge



People are willing to contribute towards the purchase of Pilot Hill

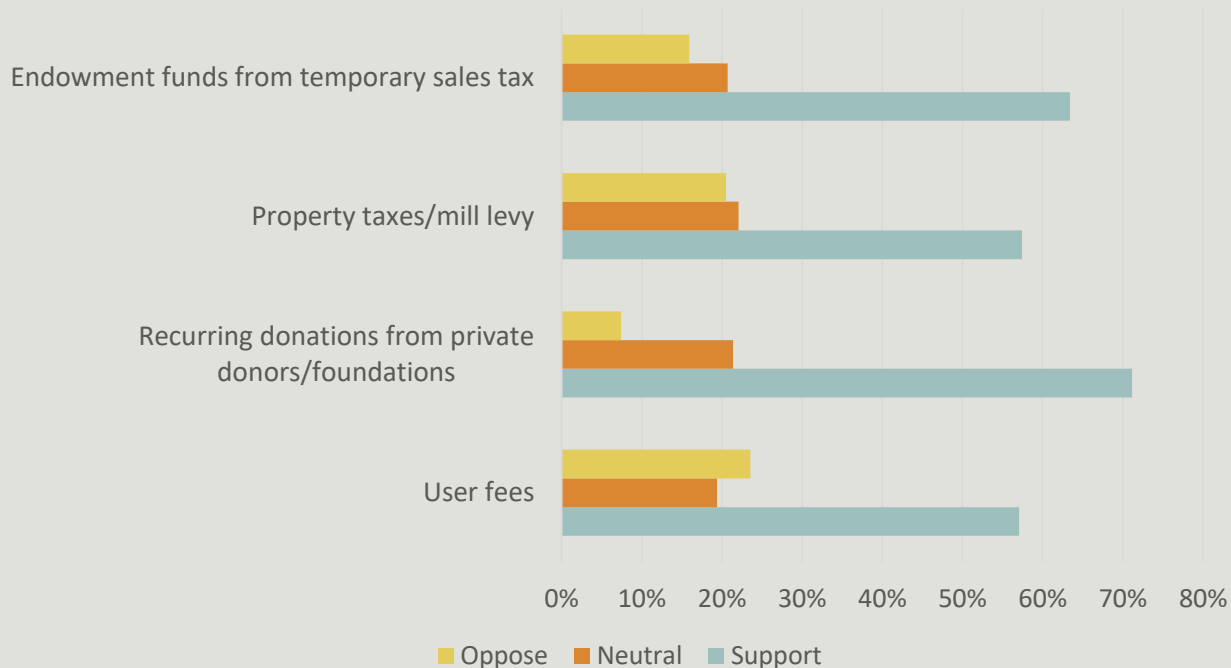
When asked to state the amount they were willing to donate or pledge towards the purchase of the Pilot Hill property, most respondents reported a willingness to contribute up to \$500.



People are willing to support funding for ongoing management, but user fees are least preferred

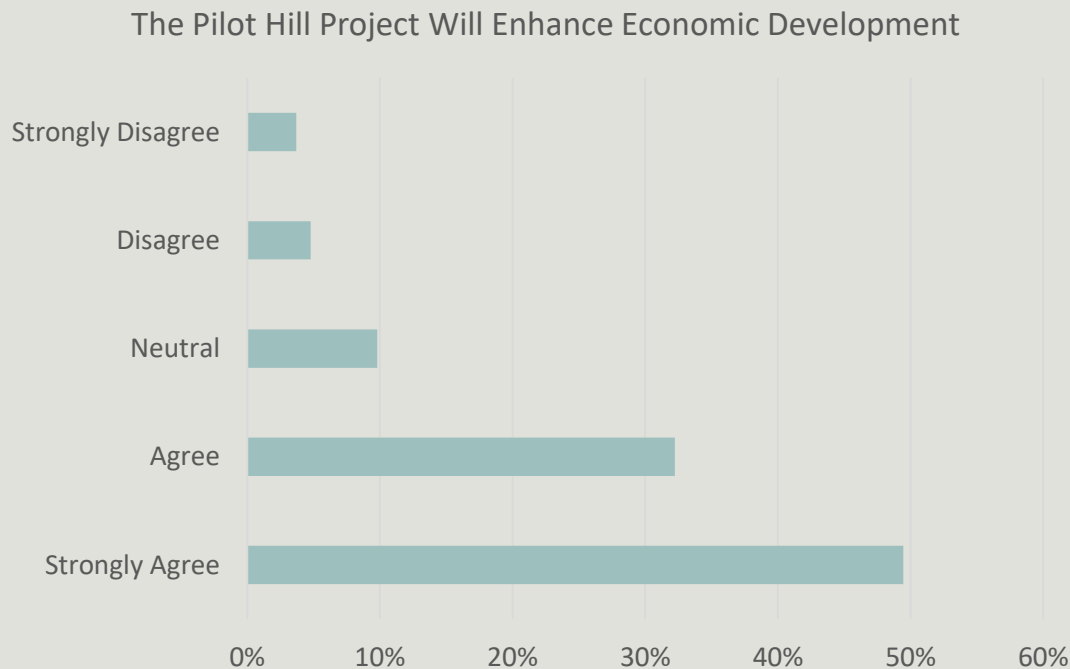
Respondents are willing support funding for ongoing management of Pilot Hill through a variety of methods.

Willingness to Support Funding for Ongoing Management



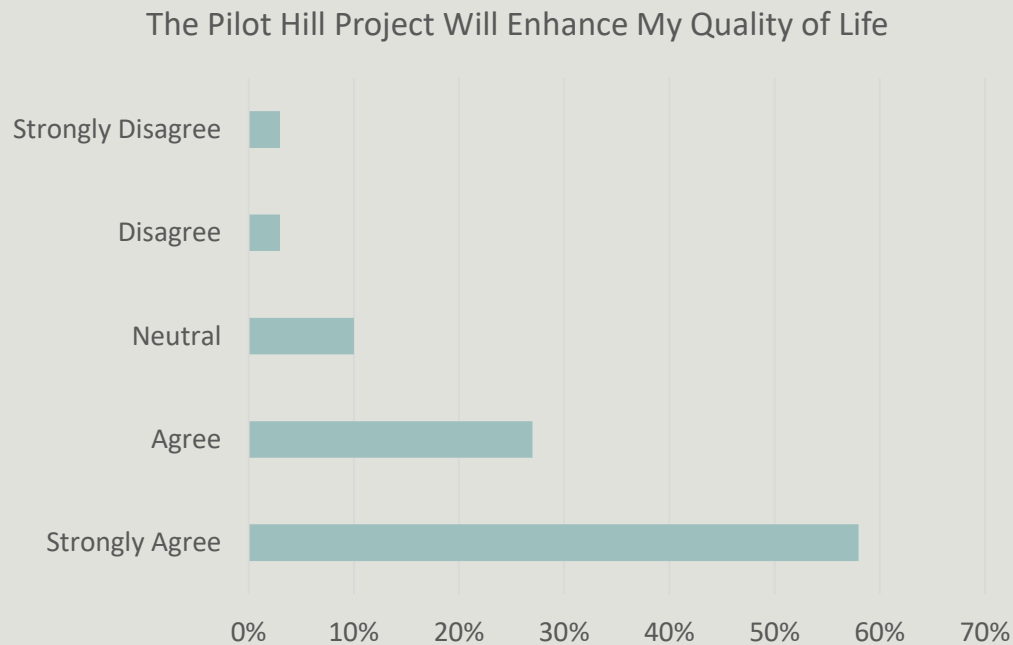
Most agree that the Pilot Hill Project is good for economic development

Most respondents agree that the Pilot Hill project will enhance economic development in Albany County.



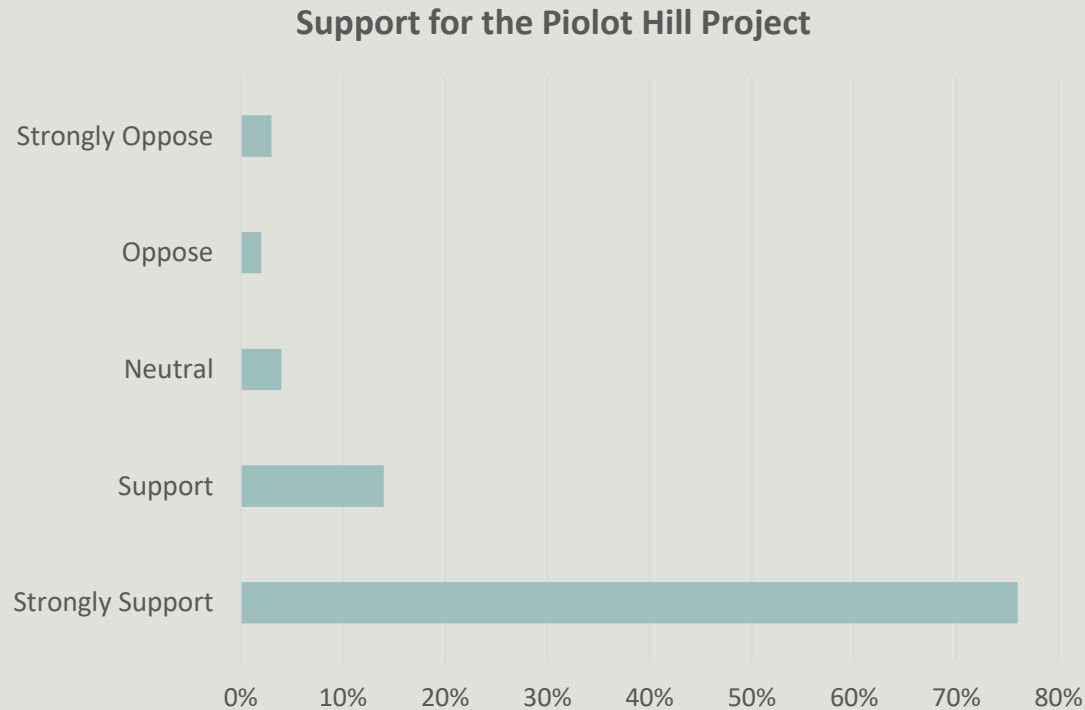
Most agree that the Pilot Hill Project will enhance their quality of life

Most respondents agree that purchasing Pilot Hill for public access, recreation and aquifer protection will enhance their quality of life



Most support the Pilot Hill Project

There is overwhelming support for the Pilot Hill Project among survey respondents



People are concerned that the project won't be funded

When asked to identify their top three concerns from a list, most respondents reported they were most concerned that the project wouldn't be funded. Other concerns focused on future management of the Pilot Hill property

